ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಆರ್. ಬೊಮ್ಮಾಯಿ— ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಊರುಗಳಿಗೂ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳು ಇವೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಹಳ್ಳಿಗಳು ಪುಟ್ಟದಾಗಿನಿಂದಲೂ ಸಾವಿರಾರು ವರ್ಷದಿಂದಲೂ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳು ಇವೆ. ಆ ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ವರ್ಗೀಕರಣದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಿಗೂ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳು ಇವೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಬಂಗಾರಪ್ಪ— ವಿರೋಧ ಪಕ್ಷದ ನಾಯಕರು ಹೇಳತಕ್ಕ ರಸ್ತೆ ಏನು ಇದೆ, ಇದು ಸಾವಿರಾರು, ನೂರಾರು ವರ್ಷದಿಂದ ಇರುವುದಲ್ಲ. ಈಗ ಏನು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ ಅದು ನಮ್ಮ ಲೆಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿ ಇರತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಈಗ ನ್ಯಾಷನಲ್ ಹೈವೇ, ಸ್ಟೇಟ್ ಹೈವೇ, ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ಟ್ ರೋಡ್, ಆದರ್ ದ್ಯಾನ್ ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ಟ್ ರೋಡ್ ಅಂಡ್ ವಿಲೇಜ್ ರೋಡ್ ಎಂದು ಏನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇವೆ ಅವು ಆ ಹಳ್ಳಿಗಳಿಗೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಬಹಳ ದಿವಸದ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳು ಇದ್ದರೂ ಇರಬಹುದು. ರಸ್ತೆಗಳನ್ನು ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು, ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು ಎಂಬುದೇ ನಮ್ಮ ಉದ್ದೇಶ.

1-30 P.M.

The Karnataka I lectronic Development Corporation

729. SRI S. M. SHEERNALY CHANDRASEKHAR (Hosanagar)—Will the Minister for Industries and Commerce be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is an establishment in Karnataka called the Karnataka Electronics Development Corporation ;

(b) If so, when was it established and what or it aims and objectives ;

(c) what is the investment made by the Govt. of Karnataka in terms of rupees ;

(d) whether there is any profit from such an investment ;

(e) what are the products the establishment in manufacturing;

(f) what is the turn over ;

(g) how much profit it has made since the last three years ;

(h) whether this concern has placed its balance sheet or audit reports before the legislature ?

SRI AZEEZ SAIT (Minister for Industries and Commerce).—

(a) Yes.

(b) The Corporation was incorporated on 22nd September 1976. The more important aims and objects are given in the following statement

STATEMENT

The more important aims and objectives of Karnataka State Electronics Development Corporation are :

1. To render assistance for the Development and promotion of Electronic Industries in Karnataka whether owned or run by Govt., Statutory Body, Company or Individuals.

2. To organise and undertake trade with other countries in all types of Electronic equipments.

3. To undertake Techno Commercial negotiations with organisations abroad on a continuing basis so as to identify/locate/modify standardize etc., all types of Electronic equipments, plants for production of Electronic items etc.

4. To promote, subject to approval of Government, joint production ventures in the Electronic field with suitable parties.

5. To explore and develop new markets abroad for the electronic tems with a view to maintaining, diversifying and expending the export trade in electronics.

(c) As an 31st March 1978 Government of Karnataka have invested Rs. 20 lakhs in equity capital.

(d) No.

(e) This is a promotional organisation with limited manufacturing activity. The only product manufactured at present is Iontophoretic-*cum*-neuro Exciters.

(f) A sum of Rs. 50,000 has been realised by sale of 30 units of Iontophoretic-*cum*-neuro Exciters.

(g) No profit has been made since its inception on 22nd September 1976 till the last accounting year 1977 (Dec. 1977).

(h) Yes.

SRI VEERAPPA MOILY.—May I know whether the Corporation has prepared any projects or plan for implementation; if so, when and what are the projects implemented till today from the inception and what are the projects which remain to be implemented ?

† SRI AZEEZ SAIT —The Corporation has developed medical electronics equipment established a testing and development centre, a material centre and a commercial centre apart from assisting more than 50 small-scale industries in Karnataka since its inception. The Corporation has also developed a technical electronic equipment for curing dental hyper sensitivity. One more equipment *viz.* a nerve stimulator is being developed and it is still under clinical trial. Besides this, they have planned to have about 215 acres of land near Konnappanagrahara which is about 19 k.m. from Bangalore. 215 acres of Government land have been taken possession of and 45 acres are under acquisition. The Electronic City will be laid in about 260 acres. Developed plots for 10 large industries and 20 medium-scale industries are planned and 230 sheds for small-scale units are proposed to be constructed. Action has already been taken to

conduct a profile survey in the area and prepare a layout plan. When the project is completed it has a potential to offer employment to more than 10,000 people directly and indirectly. The estimated investment on the development of this area is in the order of Rs. 3.45 crores as per current estimates.

SRI VEERAPPA MOILY.—The contribution to electronic industry at the all-India level from Karnataka State is 35 per cent but looking to the manner in which the Kerala Electronic Corporation is making headway we feel they will overtake us. In view of this will the Government take some steps because this is an industry which creates more employment. This is a big industry which can be started in the medium-scale sector without much power. Just somebody starting an industry would not go to the credit of the Corporation. In view of the above advantages, will the Corporation involve itself effectively to see that the Number 1 place occupied by Karnataka in this respect is retained ? At this rate if we proceed, we are likely to recede to the background as far as electronic development is concerned. May I know whether Government has chalked out any programme for rural industrialisation in terms of electronic industry instead of confining only to the urban area like Bangalore ?

SRI AZEEZ SAIT.—The place 15 kilometers away from Bangalore is rural area. The Corporation is not given the required finance. As per my information the Corporation has been given 25 lakhs and they have received about 7-8 lakhs from the Government of India. I completely agree with him that electronics has a good employment potential and I have taken up this matter with Finance Department. Besides this place we have taken up a place near Mysore also.

ಶ್ರೀ ಯು. ಬಿ. ಬೋರ್ಕರ್.—ವಿವಿಧ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿರುವಂತೆ ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲೂ ಕೂಡ ಎಲೆಕ್ಟ್ರಾನಿಕ್ಸ್ ಓದತಕ್ಕ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಅದರಲ್ಲೂ ಹರಿಜನ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ, ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗದ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸ್ಕಾಲರ್‌ಷಿಪ್ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಅಜೀಜ್ ಸೇಠ್.—ಈ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸೋಣ.

Small Savings

551 SRI B. H. LAKSHMANAIAH (Belur).—Will the Minister for Finance be pleased to state :—

(a) what is the aim of the Government in collecting Small Savings ;

(b) whether the Government is aware that the officers are demanding investment on Small Savings from the Small and marginal farmers and weaker section of the Society when they approach officers for loans, allotments, permits and licenses ?